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Station. File No. Date August 11, 1941

SUBJECT: Edwin Vincent CUNNINGHAM

Edwin Vincent CUNNINGHAM, age 27, residing at House 70, Lane 41 Carter Road, is as far as can be ascertained, ^{un}employed at present.

Some three or four years ago he was a teacher at, it is believed, St. John's University. During this period Kum Soo (甘月松), a wealthy Chinese, made a complaint to Bubbling Well Station regarding his son who was stated to have stolen some money from his father and at the same time Cunningham, who was apparently the boy's teacher, was accused of having helped him to spend it. No action was taken in this matter and Cunningham was later discharged. He then worked as a barman at Ma Jackson's, 292 Bubbling Well Road.

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In April 1939, he made application to the S.M.C. for a tavern licence at 190 Nanking Road, the Victoria Cafe, former premises of the Victoria Club. He was associated with one V. T. Chow in this venture. However, in January 1940 the licence was transferred to another Chinese and as far as is known Cunningham is no longer interested.



In February 1940, Cunningham was involved in a dispute at the Van Hwa Barbers Shop (花華) over the theft of a Chinese female's coat (F.I.R. L. 618/40). Apparently the female was not satisfied with the amount of compensation offered to her by the shop master for the loss of the coat and brought along her husband and Cunningham to give greater weight to her demands. However there was no evidence of extortion or intimidation although Cunningham's actions were a little doubtful.

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